

March Agenda 2026

School: CWES

Date: 3/19/26

Time: 3:00PM

Location: Media Center

SGC Members:

Lisa Garosi (Principal)	Jacqueline Daeschler (Teacher-Chair)
Holly Chafin (Teacher)	Erin Rybos (Parent -Vice-Chair)
Sandy Austin (Appointed Staff)	Christine Grosso Farias (Parent)
Lauren Pritchard (Appointed Staff)	OPEN (Parent-Parliamentarian)
Fredrico Giroldo (Community Member)	Anupam (Community Member)

3:00PM Call to Order (*Chair*)

3:02PM Action Item: Approve Agenda (*Chair*)

3:04PM Action Item: Approve February Minutes (*Chair*)

3:05PM Informational Item: Superintendent Advisory Councils Updates (*Council Representative*)

3:15PM Discussion Item: SGC Parent/Teacher Elections Update* (*Outreach and Communications Committee*)

3:20PM Discussion Item: Choose 2 Representatives for SGC Spring Cross Council (*All Members*)

3:35PM Discussion Item: Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (*All Members*) -**Kinder colored ink**

3:45PM Action Item: Approve Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals**** (*Chair*)

3:47PM Informational Item: Principal's Update (*Principal*)

4:00PM Discussion Item: Draft Next Meeting's Agenda (*All Members*)

4:00PM Action Item: Meeting Adjournment (*Chair*)

Meeting Norms: Silence Phones, Be Respectful of Others' Opinions, Work for the good of all Students

Notes and Reminders

Spring Cross Council

We are excited to share that our Spring Cross Council will be held on **Thursday, March 19th** from 8AM-2PM with this year's focus being *Strategic Planning & Celebrating Success*.

As we step into 2026, this gathering will give us the opportunity to align our goals and priorities for the coming year, ensuring that our collective efforts continue to make a meaningful impact across our schools. It will also be a time to celebrate the incredible accomplishments of our School Governance Councils—from innovative initiatives to strengthened community engagement. Your dedication has truly made a lasting difference, and we look forward to recognizing that together.

Each council is encouraged to select two members to attend. Please use the Sign Up Genius link provided [here](#) to register each individual representative.

***SGC Parent/Teacher Elections**

The declaration period for parents and teachers interested in serving on their local SGCs will run from **February 2nd to March 27th**. Click [here](#) to check how many council seats your school has open for these positions in this year's election cycle.

****Annual Budget Approval**

FY27 Budget development begins on February 2nd and will **conclude on February 20th (Elementary Schools), February 27th (Middle Schools), and March 6th (High Schools)**. SGCs should schedule their February and March meetings prior to their budget closure date to ensure the council has time to discuss and approve FY27 fiscal allocations.

All Dates are Subject to Change

*****Charter Dollars**

This year, schools have received **\$30,000 in Charter Dollars** to help meet their strategic goals through local innovative solutions. These funds should be used for non-personnel purchases such as supplies, registrations, communications, etc. When purchasing personnel, schools are advised to use other funding sources allowable for positions. If Charter Dollars are requested for personnel, the expenditure will require approval from the Zone Superintendent, SGC, and Executive Director of Governance and Strategy. Additionally, any materials purchased to support literacy instruction must align with [GaDOE literacy requirements](#).

Each Charter Dollar expenditure requires an SGC vote for approval, the completion of the [Charter Dollar Expenditure Form](#), and is subject to the same district guidelines that govern school cost center budgets. All Charter Dollars must be spent in the year they are received to support our current student population. We encourage SGCs to schedule discussions early in the year to plan for these expenditures, ensuring all purchases are made before end-of-year spending deadlines. See our [Charter Dollar Matrix](#) for examples of FCS-supported expenditures.